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This is a request for filing a **continuation** application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. **08/988,052**, filed on **December 10, 1997**, entitled **SURGICAL APPARATUS AND METHOD**, which is a continuation of application Serial No. **08/352,325**, filed on **December 7, 1994**, now U.S. Patent No. 5,868,760.

Enclosed are:

1. 69 sheets of specification, 18 sheets of claims, 1 sheet of abstract; and 14 sheets of drawings

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